History of Civil War submarine to be presented at Fort Delaware State Park

DELAWARE CITY (June 26, 2013) — Fort Delaware will host a special program on Saturday, June 29 featuring the story of the H. L. Hunley, an ill-fated Confederate submarine that sank in Charleston Harbor in 1864 with its crew on board. Local historian Bill Jenkins will conduct a special presentation at 11:30 a.m., during which he will discuss the mission and the recovery of the submarine and the sailors who went down with it, as well as the artifact record of the submarine.

Access to Pea Patch Island is by ferry from either Delaware City or Salem, New Jersey. Ferry tickets cost \$11 for adults, \$6 for children 2 through 12 and \$10 for seniors and Active Duty Military (with ID). Children under 2 are admitted free of charge.

There is no extra charge for the program. Those who wish to see the program will need to take the 9:30 a.m. Salem, N.J. ferry or the 10:45 a.m. Delaware City ferry to reach the fort in time.

Ferry reservations are suggested, but visitors may purchase tickets on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations may be made by calling 1-877- 987-2757 or visiting destateparks.com. Tickets may only be reserved 24 hours in advance.

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